

Las Cruces, NM – Today, Congressman Harry Teague named Navy veteran Roy Powers of Alamogordo as Southern New Mexico’s “Veteran of the Month.” Powers is the second Veteran to receive this recognition under Congressman Teague’s “Veteran of the Month” program that honors the commitment and service of veterans in New Mexico’s 2nd Congressional District.

Congressman Teague will present Mr. Powers with this honor this coming Sunday at VFW Post 7686 in Alamogordo. Mr. Powers will be presented with a flag flown over the Capitol and a certificate recognizing the honor.



During his 6 ½ years in the Navy, Mr. Powers served two tours in Viet Nam. During the course of his service he received several commendations including, the National Defense Service Medal, Viet Nam Service Medal, the Republic of Viet Nam Campaign Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the U.S. Navy Life Saving Medal. Since leaving the Navy as a Petty Officer, Second Class, Mr. Powers has been active in local veteran’s issues, serving as the Service Officer for Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7686. As a Service Officer, he counsels from 5-10 veterans each month while constantly being available to help local veterans. In recognition of his performance as Service Officer, Mr. Powers was awarded in February 2010 as New Mexico’s top service officer.

“Roy Powers’ service to our nation and his continued selfless service to our nation’s heroes exemplify the commitment and honor of our veterans,” Harry Teague said. “I am proud to nominate him as the second Veteran of the Month and thank him for his service and commitment.”

Congressman Teague’s “Veteran of the Month” program is designed to promote veterans issues and is coordinated by his Veterans Advisory Council, a committee comprised of distinguished veterans from across southern New Mexico. Each month, a veteran is recognized for their service overseas and here at home. To nominate a veteran for the “Veteran of the Month Program” please contact Major Nathan Howard at nathan.howard@mail.house.gov.

SUNDAY MAY 2

What: Veteran of the Month Presentation Ceremony to Roy Powers

Where: VFW Post 7686, 700 Highway 70 West, Alamogordo

When: 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Interested Media and Veterans are encouraged to attend.

****Attached Photo Outline: Roy Powers, Boot Camp 1971****

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